CLASSIFICATION CONFIDENTIAL Approved For Release 2006/02/01: CIA-RDP82-00457R003100290004\_6 CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY 25X1 REPORT INFORMATION REPORT CD NO. COUNTRY USSR (Ukraine) DATE DISTR. 25 - 45G 49 SUBJECT The Azov Steel and Rolling Mill in Mariupol NO. OF PAGES 2 25X1 25X1 PLACE NO. OF ENCLS. ACQUIRED (LISTED BELOW) DATE OF IN SUPPLEMENT TO 25X1 REPORT NO. THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS INFORMATION AFFECTING THE NATIONAL DEFENSE OF THE UNITED STATES WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE ESPIONAGE ACT 50 U.S.C., 31 AND 32, AS AMENDED. ITS TRANSMISSION OR THE REVELATION OF ITS CONTENTS IN ANY MANNET TO AN UNAUTHORIZED PERSON IS PRO-HIBITED BY LAW. REPRODUCTION OF THIS FORM IS PROHIBITED. THIS IS UNEVALUATED INFORMATION 25X1 25X1 2. The old factory's installations were severely damaged during the war. Only the steel ovens and the armor producing work halls in the vicinity of the main entrance remained intact. Since the war the colling mill, the power plant, and a large administrative building in from of the rolling mill have been rebuilt. By the summer of 1948 preparations for the reconstruction of the three destroyed halls in the middle of the compound had been completed. 25X1 (Allegedly, the Minister of Internal Affairs also extends his authority to this enterprise) Military personnel have been rately seen the compound. within orkers quentification post (Aussteigehal:estelle) controls all ingress and egress. The main f ctory street gradually incl. a railroad underpass and overpass and finally makes a sharp At the end of this particular stretch there are two, pear-si treatment ovens on the fight side of the street. Aministre stand on the opposite side of the thoroughfare. Two barracks, used as offices, are located behind the steel ovens. At this corner the street makes a sharp turn to the north and follows an exposed gas pipe line (1 meter

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the street is one of the few remaining old work halls which survived the war and is today manufacturing armor plates. A branch pipe line leads from the cas line into this plant.

6. Two more turns down the main street there are three buildings, one a school for apprentices, the other two, small warkshopss. Directly across the street from them, on the left side going down, is a large storage area which covers a space of 100 x 100 meters. 

the area is filled mostly with stacked boxes which are reported to contain factory fittings, especially machine parts.

- 7. A short ways farther, between the workshops and the power plant, is the wreckage of three large work halls. The debris was being removed during the summer of 1948 to make way for the construction of three new structures.
- 8. The new power plant, covering an area of approximately 100 x 50 meters, was built within its own enclosure ofter the recovery of the area from the Germans. A 50,000 60,000 volt high tension wire runs out of the power compound in a northeasterly direction to an unknown destination. The plant is equipped with an open air transformer from which an underground cable (two cable openings, one water opening) like connects with the new rolling mill across the street.
- 9. The new rolling mill is housed in a large building with a 200 meter facade. A side street runs past the new administrative building in front of the rolling mill to two administrative barracks behind the installation. The rolling mill was first finished in raw brick during the summer of 1948 and the fittings are reported to have been completed towards the end of the same year. PWs had to lay immense concrete foundations as a preliminary to the installing of heavy machinery.
- 10. In the rear (the north end) of the factory compound there are three destroyed halls, which are reported to have been rebuilt, a cement works (produces concrete bricks and building parts), a camp for Russian forced laborers (Strafgefangenelager), and an extensive network of railroad sidings. Plant trains as well as superfluous cars and locomotives are parked on these spurs.
- 11. Although the old parts of the mill contain machines which bear the manufacturers' date 1913, the new work halls are equipped with the latest special machinery.

  Many machines units for the new work halls are still crated and stacked in the storage area mentioned above.
- The Azov Steel and Rolling Mill is slated to produce railroad rails

  The work halls near the main entrance produce steel or armor plates of 25 to
  50 cm thickness which come from the steel ovens in large, red hot blocks.

  They are then sent to one of the steel works in the Mariupol area for further processing.
- The entire factory compound is covered with numerous railroad tracks which connect the larger installations with one another as well as with the main lines and other factories in the vicinity. At the north end of the compound there is a small shunting station. The number of work lecomotives (labeled "Azov Steel") parked on the tracks was estimated to total between eight and fifteen. About twelve to fifteen are reported to have been in the factory.
- 14. The mill, installations, and PWs were guarded by the militia. Southetin personnel at the plant was estimated to run between 3,000 and 10,000 workers. Besides the 1,000 PWs, who were used almost exclusively on construction projects and loading work, there were about 500 Reserve "forced" laborers, whose camp is situated inside of the compound.

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